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Some Remarks on the Stamps and Envelopes of the New Republic.

By Emil Tamsen.

(*From the Philatelic Record.*)

THE New Republic was founded about three years ago in a similar way to that of the late Republic of Stellaland, now part of British Bechuanaland, by some filibustering Boers of Transvaal, Orange Free State, and Natal, who assisted Dimzulu, son of the late king of Zululand, Cetewayo, in putting down several Zulu chiefs who had rebelled against his rule. For their services they were paid in land, and after crowning Dinizulu king, they parcelled of the lands taking the greater part of the entire country. The remainder of Zululand and the Reserve (a strip of Zululand bordering on Natal) has lately been annexed by the Imperial Government, and is now under the Government of Natal, so that there is no chance of a second edition of the New Republic in that quarter.

In 1886 postage stamps made their appearance, and I think Jan. 9th of that year may be taken as the date of the issue, as I have never seen or heard of one bearing a prior date. The design is very simple being merely the name, value and date printed in plain type, and a small ornament in each corner The stamps were printed with a hand stamp in lilac ink on blueish grey and yellow paper, in sheets of 180, consisting of twenty rows of nine. The perforation is 11½, but some stamps are found wholly imperforate, while in other cases some rows of perforation only are wanting. The impressions are frequently defective. I have had whole sheets in which there was not one defective impression, while in another case out of a part consisting of seventy-seven stamps, only five were free from defects. As a rule the stamps of the one penny and two pence were not so well printed during the first half of the year 1886 as the higher values, which were probably not so much required. In fact, postage stamps are more or less articles of luxury in this state as they frank only to places in the interior. To other countries Transvaal, Natal, &c., stamps of these countries must be used as was formerly the case in Transvaal and Orange Free State. It is curious at times to see what shifts are resorted to by persons not having sufficient stamps of one kind at hand at the moment. I have a Natal post card posted in Veyheid, and addressed to me, franked with a one-penny stamp of the New Republic, and two half-penny stamps of Transvaal as also envelopes with New Republic, Transvaal and Natal stamps mixed, which all passed through the post unchallenged.

With such a primitive mode of manufacture it is no wonder that errors frequently occur. At times the stamp bears two impressions, at others these stamps are impressed in the space for two only, and a few are found *tête-bêche*, though these are very rare, as I have only seen one or two specimens in all that have passed through my hands, the number of which has been very considerable, as at every new date, I have received a supply of the fresh issue, which was made whenever the Treasurer found the supply run short, a system that continued till the beginning of 1887, when the stamps were issued without date, the arms in relief being subitituted in lieu of the date. I am unable to fix the precise date when the embossing of the arms was adopted. In February, 1887, I wrote for a parcel of stamps, and in this were some with date of 1886 impressed with the arms, probably remainders of old stock in country offices which had been called in for exchange, or they may have been remnants either of stock or of those filed in the head office for Government reference. But whatever they were the stamps with dates and arms are extremely scarce, and some bear date which I have never seen on those issued with date alone. It is true that stamps may have been issued with such dates, but it only could have been in very small quantities, as none seem to have reached the hands of collectors, so far as I can ascertain from the philatelic papers.

Had I not received the stamps direct, I should have had doubts as to their being genuine, knowing what I do about certain Stellaland forgeries. In the impression of the stamps there are various errors. In the word Nieuwe I have specimens in which one or other of the letters is wanting, and one in which the E in F. Again, there are errors in the other words such as JEPUBLJEK, FEPUBLIEK, EPUBLIEK, REFUBLIEK, UBLIEK, REPUEBLIEK, REPUE EK, UID, ID, AFFIKA, UIDFAIKA, etc., and I have one in which Zuid Africa is entirely wanting.

I have collected every error which has come to my notice, and now my collection extends to about four hundred specimens. I have not seen any of these typographic errors mentioned in the philatelic papers, though I consider they are as worthy of collection as errors in surcharges, &c., and when collectors take note of reversed watermarks, surely they should pay the same heed to the reversal of the arms, which is an equally good safeguard against forgery.

Behind the arms embossed are four flags, of which only the top and bottom of the staffs of two can be seen. This is impressed on the paper before the stamps are printed, except in the case of those in the issue with date and arms, in which it is clearly impressed after the printing, which corroborates the view that these stamps were simply the remainders of dated stamps.

(To be Continued.)

THE result of the vote for election of officers and official organ for C. P. A. is as follows: President, H. Hechler, Halifax; Secretary, T. J. McMinn, Toronto; Treasurer, H. L. Hart, Halifax; Official Organ, HALIFAX PHILATELIST. A full report of the proceedings of the Convention and the official figures, as regards officers will be published in our next.

Varieties of Prince Edward Island Stamps.

THIS Province has the reputation of issuing the worst looking series of stamps in design and execution of any of the British North American Provinces. On examining them closely there are a number of varieties in the stamps of which I propose to give a short list of the most conspicuous. In the

1 penny, printed in sheets of 30, 6 rows of 5 stamps each.

2nd Row, 5th Stamp:
White line above N in Island, broken, filled with solid color for about one-eighth inch.

2nd Row, 2nd Stamp:
Full stop above L in Island.

6th Row, 5th Stamp:
No cross-bar to A in Island.

3 pence, printed in sheets of 30, 6 rows of 5 stamps in each.

1st Row, 2nd Stamp:
White circle and colored dot in centre, before P in Prince.

2nd Row, 5th Stamp:
Full stop between E and D in Edward.

3rd Row, 2nd Stamp:
I in Island with white dash at top making it look like inverted L.

Same Stamp:
Full stop at the top bar of the last E in three pence.

4th Row, 4th Stamp:
Full stop after Edward, it being in a line with top of D.

5th Row, 3rd Stamp:
Full stop between P and O in Postage.

9 pence, printed in sheets of 30, 6 rows of 5 stamps in each.

2nd Row, 4th Stamp:
Two full stops, one above the other after Stg.

2nd Row, 5th Stamp:
Full stop before S in Stg., apparently put there instead of after Stg., which has none.

2 pence, printed in sheets of 100, 10 rows of 10 stamps in each.

3rd Row, 10th Stamp:
Part of T in two off, making it look like inverted I. Full stop before T. in two.

In the older printing of the one penny a peculiarity exists which some of our readers may have in a complete form. That is an outerline all around the stamp. I have four specimens with this line in the golden yellow and yellow brown shades, perforated 12. Specimen No. 1 was the last stamp in the row and has the marginal part of the sheet attached to it. The line is the full length of the right hand side of the stamp, the perforation going directly through it. No. 2 has the line on left hand side and bottom the full length and width of stamp, with traces of it showing on perforation at

top and right hand side. No. 3 has line shewing in parts at left hand side and at bottom. No. 4 shows only at bottom. The last two are of the yellow brown shade.

This peculiarity may also be found in the 4 pence, but parts of the line only shewing. A peculiarity of the 4 pence is that in the diamond, on each side of the stamp there is a small oval ornament which has in the diamond on the right hand side of the stamp a small line to it at top and bottom, but on the oval at the left hand side none at all in any. The cent issue with one exception is free from those errors or secret marks or whatever they may be. The one is in the 3 cents which are printed in sheets of 100, ten rows of ten stamps in each. The 7th stamp of the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th and 9th rows has a full stop between Prince and Edward, thus Prince. Edward. The varieties in the pence issue mentioned above are I think some kind of secret marks, although they are not found in a regular rotation as in the 3 cent. being arbitarily scattered here and there over each sheet, the varieties of each stamp when they occur being precisely the same, so that it is hardly possible that such a series of errors could be made unintentionally, but of this some one with more knowledge of the stamps may be able to speak.

DAVID LANG.

The Stamps of Bokhara.

TRANSLATED BY H. HECHLER, FROM ILL. B. Z.

ALL the philatelic papers some time ago announced an issue of postage stamps for this state, but their authenticity was never properly proved.

Letters from all parts of the world flocked in to the writer at Bokhara to procure for them, those celebrated stamps. As I have been largely interested in philately, (and have a fine collection) I made a thorough and exhaustive search to find out those stamps, but the only answer I received was that such things did not exist.

As I live at the Russian Consulate, I have made the acquaintence of all the notables of the Khanate and have travelled through the country from one end to the other. I have forwarded letters through all the private railway posts and also through the consular and exchange posts, but have never seen anything resembling a stamp, and indeed, such a thing as a regular mail system does not exist in the country. I have received numerous philatelic papers which contained illustrations of the Bokhara stamps in question. I shewed a copy to one of the persons in authority who pronounced it as something invented outside of the country and that the lettering on it was no letters at all. He thought it might possibly be a facsimile of a seal, such as are used by persons in authority for signing official documents instead of their names. I also shewed it to an expert in Oriental languages, Herrn W. O. Klemm who is in the Russian Government Agent at Bokhara, and who pronounced it neither stamp nor seal, and also

says such a thing never existed, nor is in existence in Bokhara. In the city the shop keepers sell Russian stamps to prepay letters by the private Railway post to the nearest Russian post office. The same can be had through the foreign consuls there. If natives wish to send a letter they do so by mounted couriers. I have often seen the Emirs courier with a letter rolled around a small rod sticking up at the back of his neck to shew that he was on government service. I take pleasure in enclosing you herewith a specimen of a Bokhara state official letter, which will give you proof that the seal attached has not the slightest resemblance to these so called stamps. I also send you extracts from letters received by me, so that you can imagine what a tempest these stamps which you say exist, have created in philatelic circles, and which have gone to all parts of the world. Collectors however, can satisfy themselves by writing to W. O. Klemm, Secretary and Dragoman to the Russian Consulate at Bokhara.

DR. HEYFELDER,

Imperial Russian Consultate.

Bokhara, June 1/13, 1888.

The N. S. Bill Stamps.

IT has long been a matter of curiosity with revenue collectors why the last issue of Canadian Bill stamps were surcharged N. S. for use in Nova Scotia as the currency was apparently the same. This surcharging must have been done by a departmental order only, as there is no trace of it in orders of Council or in the Dominion Acts. The idea was this, there was a difference of $2\frac{2}{3}$ per cent between Canadian and Nova Scotian currency, that is *$1.00* in Canada was worth 1.02\frac{1}{3}$ in Nova Scotia. It will be thus seen that there would be a good opening for defrauding the revenne, by the Canadian merchants and others buying their bill stamps in Nova Scotia. After being in use for a comparatively short time the currency was straightened put to agree with the Canadian, and the necessity for surcharging done away with. There use being limited to only one province and for such period of time has made them quite rare, especially the 7, 8, 30, 40, 50c., and 1, 2, and $3 stamps.

Mexican 1888 Provisionals.

IN April last one of the chief cities of the Mexican Republic,* the stock of one centavo stamps was exhausted and to supply their place the carmine two centavo stamp of 1886 issue were surcharged in blue with a design like this annexed.

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We have before us eight distinct varieties of these provisionals. There

*Colima.

are two kinds of perforation, the ordinary and the wide apart "pin" perforation. Then some are of blue-rule and others on plain paper. These are the following varieties, of those on a ruled paper, the ruling of which is horizontal: 1st, ruled both front and back, with the ordinary and with the wide apart pin perforation; 2nd, ruled only on the front, horizontally in both kinds of perforation; 3rd, ruled only on the back also with both sorts of perforation; 4th, on plain paper without ruling but in both styles of perforation.

These are all the varieties that we have seen so far. There may be others as, for instance, with perpendicular ruling. If so they have not as yet reached us. If any do we will inform our readers of the facts.

Advanced collectors should secure specimens of each of the varieties as they are especially interesting. The supply of these being very limited they must be in demand.

JAPANESE POSTMEN.—The Japanese postman is thus described in a letter: As in America, so in Japan, the postman wears his uniform. It consists of a suit of blue cloth, a wide, butter-bowl hat, and straw shoes. The mail-bag swings under his arm, or is pushed along in a little two-wheeled cart. He is always running or trotting along. You know that in Japan men do nearly all the work that we make horses do here; so you see the Japanese postman hasten along from station to station, travelling at a quick run mile after mile, up hill, down dale, never stopping until he reaches the place where another postman is waiting to receive the mail and run on with it in his turn. So the mail is carried in the greater part of the Japanese Empire.

CHRONICLE.

Br. Bechuanaland.—At least three of the stamps are surcharged "Protectorate." We have the ½d. vermillion and 1d., 2d. lilac. The 4d. envelope of Cape of Good Hope has been surcharged in small letters in two lines.

Br. Honduras.—A new card has appeared; 5 cents, brown on buff.

Canada.—The official card for custom parcel notices, has now instead of a blank face for address, the following on them, in upper left corner "*Advice Note*," in upper right corner, "*Free, by order of Post Master General*," and three dotted lines for address.

Chamba.—The *I. B. J.* notes the 3a., 8a. and 1 rupee, and the 8a. service. The envelopes ½ and 1a., and post card ½a., have the arms *black* instead of the color of the stamp, and the sun's rays are more regular and all of the same length.

Colombia.—There is a 50c. brown of the map type.

Congo Free State.—Varieties of the new card are reported by *Der. Ph.* as follows: (*a*) with watermark perpendicular, (*b*) with double watermark perpendicular, (*c*) without watermark.

Cuba.—The *I. B. J.* notes the 2c. and 4c. cards without yellow groundword.

Finland.—A new 12p. card has been issued, similar to the reply paid card of 1886, without frame, stamp rose.

Grenada.—A new edition of the 4d. on 2sh. has appeared. "4d." is 5mm. above "POSTAGE" instead of 4mm.

Guatemala.—The *I. B. J.* reports that the 1 peso Northern Railway stamp was surcharged "2 centavos." and "5 cts." in the latter part of April, and used for about a week in Quezaltenango.

Japan.—The 25sen. envelope is noted in two new sizes, 135 × 87 mm. and 208 × 75 mm. We have the 4, 8, 10, 15, 20 and 50 sen. stamps perforated 13.

Martinique.—The 2c. has been surcharged 01c., the same type as that on the 20c.

New South Wales.—*Le T. P.* illustrates the 1d. Jubilee stamp; which it states is to be printed in violet. A view of Sydney is in a circular band, inscribed "New South Wales Postage.=One Hundred Years." The value "One Penny," below on a horizontal label. A crown above and palm trees at the sides.

Norway.—The 12 ore. in two shades bistre and brown, has been surcharged "2 ore" in black, and the 6 and 6 + 6 ore cards are surcharged 3 and 3 + 3 ore. The cards have been suceeded by a new issue of same values without frame, and printed in orange on white. The 3 + 3 ore is of Form 2.

Phillipines.—one-eighth de centavo Impressos, surcharged in carmine oval, "Habilitado para recibo j cuentas." 10c. used postally.

Putialla.—The ½ ama red, surcharge is found with Putialla spelt "PJTIIALLA."

Servia.—A 5 bani card is noted with frame, bistre, but the arms, inscriptions and stamp black on rose.

Shanghai.—The 100 cash yellow has been surcharged 40 cash in blue.

Sierra Leone.—We have received from Mr. Giwelb the following revenue stamps which have lately done postal duty. The stamps are printed in purple, surcharged in black, with *Revenue* and a bar over "*Postage*," the value being inserted in color, carmine for the one penny, red brown for the three pence, and blue for the one shilling. The six pence being of the type of 1861 is simply surcharged in black with *Revenue*.

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3 pence " " brown, " "
6 " " " "
1 shilling " and blue, " "

Ph. Record.

St. Pierre, Miquelon.—A variety of the 5c. on 2 is on yellow paper, with figure 5 in reverse and S. P. M. in its proper place.

Tasmania.—M. de Ferrari has the 4d. of 1885, star watermark in dark green instead of blue.

United States.—We find we omitted to chronicle the new "Officially Sealed" stamp. It is a rough lithographed copy of that of 1879, with the imprint of the National Bank Note Co. omitted. The color is a puce brown. (c. c. 89.)

Venezuela.—The 2 cent orange, Escuelas, 1871 issue, is found with the head upside down.

Virgin Island.—The 1 shilling carmine, with the figure in black, and with colored border, has been surcharged in black with 4D.—*Ph. Record.*

Wadhwan.—"Mr. Freyvojel sends from Bombay a stamp which is of native make, like those of Faridkot, Rajpeepla, etc., etc. This stamp is to be used only in the small native state of Wadhwan, India, in prepaying interior postage. There is little original about this stamp. It is lithographed in black ink on white paper, and perforated fourteen. The design of the stamp is as follows: the centre is occupied by two lions, one on either side supporting a shield bearing a sun in the middle, which has an inscription in native characters "Oma," which means "Almighty God." Beneath the shield and the lions and on which they rest is a scroll inscribed also in native characters, "Jesshow Bhooshan Sarwata Vardhaman," which means "Trust in Him brings Prosperity and Glory." The word in the sun relates to the lower motto and completes it. Above the coat-of-arms in an arc of a circle is the legend in English "WADHWAN STATE," and below in a straight label, also in English, "HALF PICE." The perforation is very irregular as it varies alternately from 32 to 35 milometres. Wadhwan is situated in the Province of Guzerat, one of the peninsulas of the Arabian Seas, in North-West Hindoostan, and north-north-east of Bombay."

I may remark that the authenticity of this stamp requires confirmation. From appearances it is possible that it may prove to be as mythical as those of Buchara State, which proved, on investigation, to be the production of an enterprising dealer.—*Ill. B. Journal.*

Zululand.—The lack of a stamp of the value of a half-penny has been supplied by surcharging in black the half-penny in green, of Natal, with "Zululand" in block letters, horozontally over the words *Natal Postage.*—*Ph. Record.*

WE have received the first No. of the *Philatelic Gazette* under its new managers and from its new headquarters. Chicago is not seemingly a very healthy place for stamp papers, but we hope the Gazette will stay.

NOTES.

In our April No. we had a translation of a letter from Mr. Arciniegas, in relation to selling the remainder of the Tolima stamps. Since then we have had another letter in which he says that there was several errors in the translation of the first, they being in the date which should be 1885 instead 1875. We also said that the government would complete the sets of the values in which they were deficient, this was not correct as the plates were destroyed by the authorities at Bogota where they had been printed. On another page will be found the advertisement of the New York agents who are authorized to negotiate the sale of these stamps.

Our friend Mr. H. L. Hart, who is a well known philatelist, and Treasurer of the C. P. A., has taken unto himself a better half. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Hart much happiness and long life.

Brother Voute has again made his appearance, we are glad to see him apparently as brisk as ever, but a trifle thinner, and we hope come to stay.

With the Sept. No. the *American Philatelist* has completed its second volume, and it is a credit in every shape to the men who have run it.

We have always been very willing to put our exchange notices in, but this month we are so crowded with advertising that we have had to omit them.

We have held our paper over this month for the purpose of giving an account of the Convention and the result of election for officers. We are very glad to say that the ticket as published by us for the N. S. Philatelic Association has been almost unanimously elected. To our friends who have supported our ticket, and ourselves, we tender the most hearty thanks and hope that the confidence they have shewn in electing us the official organ, will not be misplaced.

The Canadian Philatelic Association.

NOT having the pleasure of seeing the July or August numbers of the official organ, we were surprised by a friend shewing us about the beginning of this month a copy of it for the two months mentioned rolled into one copy. In it we find the ticket nominated by the Toronto branch, and also the news that the election for officers will be held at the convention, on Sept. 19th and 20th. By this little manœuvre of springing the election like this we have no doubt that our Toronto friends think that they will have the election in their own hands. They have the Toronto Philatelic Journal down for official organ, not being satisfied as yet with the

exhibition that it has already made of itself. We have received numerous letters from members of the C. P. A. asking us to run as official organ and have decided to do so. For $24 per year we give the Association all the space that they want, a free subscription to every member of C. P. A., 25% discount to members of Association wishing to advertise, and twelve numbers guaranteed the best Philatelic paper in Canada, and one of the best in America. The sum asked is not for the sake of the money as it does not amount to anything in payment for the paper, but for the following reason, the Nova Scotia Philatelic Association pay the same amount for it acting as their official organ and it would not be fair to make the distinction between the two Associations, of charging one and giving it to another free.

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TO THE CANADIAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION:—

Gentlemen,—I regret that circumstances beyond my control rendered it impossible for me to be present at the convention of the Association, which was held at Toronto, on the 19th and 20th of the current month.

I most sincerely thank you for the honor that you have conferred upon me by electing me as your president for the ensuing year.

In accepting the nomination to that office,—the highest in your gift,—I assure you that I was actuated by no feeling of personal ambition, but merely by a sincere desire to advance the true interests of our association, and in view of the fact that numerous friends in every quarter, urged upon me that the science which we all admire would best be served by my acceptance.

I do not disguise to myself, nor do I seek to hide from you the grave responsibilities that your vote has devolved upon me. But I promise that during my administration of the duties of the office to which you have generously elected me, everything that I shall do will be prompted by a sincere desire to consolidate and to increase the influence and importance of our Association.

To succeed in this object I shall rely upon the loyal support, assistance and advice of every member in each step that I may deem it advisable to take in the interests of our Association. Success depends on harmony between ourselves, and I assume that we will all cheerfully work together for the common good.

A prime object with me will be to secure thorough affilliation for the C. P. A. with all kindred societies through the world, and to thus draw Philatelists everywhere together more closely than they have hitherto been.

I am aware that this is a large programme, but I think it can be carried out if we work together.

Believing in the success of the Canadian Philatelic Association, and thanking you again for the honor that you have done me,

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HENRY HECHLER.

THE following is the ticket issued by the Nova Scotia Philatelic Association for officers for the coming year.

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OFFICIAL ORGAN, HALIFAX PHILATELIST.

MEETING opened at 8.30 p. m. President Craig in the Chair. Members present, Messrs. Craig, Crane, Hechler, Larsen T., Larsen O., Currie, Smith Ed., Caldwell, Francis, Hart, Kaye and King. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Report of Exchange Superintendent read, after some discussion it was also approved. A motion was made by King seconded by Crane, that all members of this Association shall have the exchange books before they are returned. Carried. That the Exchange Superintendent has brought it to the notice of the Association and has also notified Mr. Grenny that valuable stamps have been removed off sheets and inferior ones substituted.

A motion was made by Hechler, seconded by Larsen, that an assesment of 50c. be levied on all resident members, Carried unaniuously.

Moved by Hechler, seconded by King that a fine of 5c. for non-attendance be levied on city members. Carried. An amendment to this was moved by Francis, seconded by Hechler, that a fine of 25c. be paid by officers of the Association for non-attendance. A good reason exempting any member or officer from a fine. Carried.

Hart moves, seconded by Crane, that the Secretory be instructed to write to the Secretary of the Canadian Philatelic Association asking him to send a copy of the official organ for July for the use of the N. S. P. Association.

Mr. W. S. McPherson was proposed by King as a member of this Association and unamiuously elected, as No. 23. This finished the business for the evening when the usual auction sale was commenced. This was much more successful than any have been for some time, After some ordinary stamps were disposed of, Mr. Craig brought some magnificent specimens of Provincial stamps on the original envelopes. Amongst the most noteworthy sold were N. S. 3d., dark blue, to King for $1.10; the same in light blue to Hechler for $1.00; a N. S. 8½d., used, to Hechler for $1.75; a 3d., N. B. to King for 1.50, its mate to Hechler $1.45; a 6d. N. B. to King for $2.75. Mr. Hechler got two P. E. I. 3d., large perforation, (perf. 8) for 80c. each. A part of unsevered 3 pences went at a bargain to Hechler for $2.40. All the foregoing stamps were perfect specimens and on the original envelopes. Norway surcharges were also at 10c. per set. This closed the meeting at 10.30 p. m.

D. A. KING,
Secretary.

MEETING OF AUGUST 27, 1888.

On account of the state of the weather there was not any meeting held on this date.

D. A. KING,
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MEETING OF SEPT. 10TH., 1888.

Meeting opened at 8.30,—V. P. Crane, in chair. Members present Messrs Hechler, Crane, Mathers, Francis, Larsen, T., Larsen, O., DeWolf Smith, Ed., Currie, Gass, Hart and King.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Moved by Smith, seconded by DeWolf, that the ticket of this association be published in this paper.

This being all the business on hand and there being no stamps for sale, the meeting adjourned at 10 p. m.

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